

to admit air into the base for supplying the combustion-chamber with oxygen.

E represents a cylindrical valve-casing fitted snugly in a correspondingly-shaped opening in the cylinder-head C. This casing contains the valve for controlling the oil and air passage which supplies the combustible fluid to the combustion-chamber B', and also contains the exhaust-valve controlling the exhaust-ports through which the products of combustion are discharged.

e represents the supply-pipe for the compressed air, and e' is the oil-supply pipe, both of which enter the head e² of the valve-casing at its side and communicate with a central receiving-chamber e³, formed in the head of the valve-casing, the oil-pipe being arranged near the bottom of the receiving-chamber and the air-pipe near the top thereof. The receiving-chamber e³ is closed at its upper end by a head e⁴, provided with a stuffing-box, and communicates at its bottom with a passage e⁵, formed in a stem e⁶, depending centrally from the head e².

f represents the oil and air induction valve arranged in the receiving-chamber e³ and seated in the tapering bottom of the latter, so as to close the passage e⁵. The valve f is held on its seat by a spring f', surrounding the upwardly-extending valve-rod f² and bearing with its ends against the induction-valve and the head e⁴. The valve-rod passes upwardly through the stuffing-box of the head e⁴, and is provided at its upper end with a thumb-nut f³, which bears on the upper side of a rock-lever F, pivoted to the standard f⁴. The induction-valve f is raised from its seat at regular intervals by this lever, to allow the oil and compressed air to pass from the receiving-chamber into the passage e⁵.

e⁷ represents a tube secured to the lower end of the hollow stem e⁶ and forming an extension of the passage e⁵. The lower end of the tube e⁷ is provided with a deflecting-cup e⁸, which is arranged slightly below the open end of the tube and provided between the latter and its upturned marginal flange with a cover e⁹, of finely-perforated sheet metal or wire-gauze. The cup receives the oil and air from the passage e⁵ and tube e⁷ and deflects the mixture upwardly, while the gauze cover divides the mixture into a finely-divided spray, which is the most favorable condition for instantaneous ignition and combustion.

G represents a burner secured to the side of the cylinder and arranged in the combustion-chamber directly in the path of the upwardly-sprayed oil, so as to ignite the same instantly.

e¹⁰ represents a concave disk about half the diameter of the cylinder and secured to the tube e⁷ at its point of junction with the hollow stem e⁶. This disk, which becomes intensely heated by the combustion of the successive charges in the combustion-chamber, intercepts any particles of the upwardly-sprayed fuel which may escape ignition, and

instantly converts them into vapor and causes them to be consumed with the rest of the charge.

H represents the circular exhaust-valve, provided with an upwardly-extending sleeve h, which surrounds the valve-stem e⁶ and is capable of vertical movement thereon. The peripheral face of the exhaust-valve tapers upwardly and fits a correspondingly-shaped seat h', formed at the lower end of the valve-casing. The interior cavity of this valve-casing, whose lower end is closed by the exhaust-valve, forms an exhaust-chamber h².

h³ represents an exhaust-passage surrounding the valve-casing on the inside of the water-jacket of the cylinder-head, and h⁴ are ports formed in the sides of the valve-casing, so as to establish communication between the exhaust-chamber and the exhaust-passage.

The cylinder B and its head C are both provided with water-jackets c c', to avoid excessive heating. The cylindrical body of the valve-casing extends through the water-jacket of the cylinder-head, and is secured thereon by bolts e''.

h⁵ represents two rods whereby the exhaust-valve is actuated, and which pass vertically through openings in the head of the valve-casing and engage with their lower hooked ends in an annular groove h⁶, formed in the sleeve h. The rods h⁵ are connected at their upper ends by a bar h⁷, which bears against the lower side of the rock-lever F, and by which the rods are lowered and the exhaust-valve is opened. The latter is held on its seat by means of springs h⁸, which surround the rods h⁵ and bear with their ends against the cross-bar h⁷ and the head of the valve-casing. The exhaust-valve is opened periodically by the descent of the lever F, and allows the products of combustion after each explosion to be discharged into the exhaust-chamber, thence into the exhaust-passage through the ports h⁴, and thence into an exhaust-pipe h⁹.

The induction-valve and exhaust-valve are actuated alternately by the rock-lever F. In the position shown in Fig. 3 the lever F is in its normal position, in which position both the induction and exhaust valves are closed. For the purpose of admitting the liquid fuel to the combustion-chamber, the rock-lever is quickly raised above its normal position and returned to the same. This movement of the rock-lever opens the induction-valve momentarily and causes a quantity of liquid fuel to be delivered into the combustion-chamber by a gust of compressed air. For the purpose of exhausting the products of combustion, the rock-lever is lowered beyond its normal position, whereby the exhaust-valve is opened.

The burner G for igniting the charges of sprayed fuel is arranged horizontally in the combustion-chamber and secured to the cylinder by means of a tube g, which supplies oil and air to the burner. The tube g is screwed into the end of a plug g', which is